

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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DIRECTIONAL CONTROL VALVE  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed February 11, 2008, on the above-referenced patent application, Applicant(s) respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 11 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 12 of this paper. Clean versions of replacement sheets for the drawings are attached in an appendix following the last page of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.